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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith, please find the following documents:

X Amendment (5 pages)

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	NO. OF CLAIMS	CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	13	- 27	0	x \$50.00	\$0
Independent Claims	1	- 3	0	x \$200.00	\$0
Multiple dependent claims not previously presented, add \$360.00					\$0
Total Amendment Fee					\$0
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Respectfully submitted,

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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

This paper is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed November 18, 2005, for which a response is due on or before December 18, 2005. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.